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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of : ATTN: BOX CPA
Toshimitsu ISHIKAWA et al. : Docket No. 00724/P10-258981/AM/SAN/US
Serial No. 09/393,168 : Group Art Unit 1617
Filed September 10, 1999 : Examiner H. Nguyen
SOFT CAPSULE : Confirmation No. 2333

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents,
Washington, D.C.

Sir:

Kindly amend the above identified application as follows:

THE COMMISSIONER IS AUTHORIZED
TO CHARGE ANY DEFICIENCY IN THE
FEE FOR THIS PAPER TO DEPOSIT
ACCOUNT NO. 23-0975.

In the Claims:

Kindly add the following new claims 21 and 22 as follows:

21. (New) A soft capsule as defined in claim 17, wherein said material of limited oil-solubility comprises a powder material or a soft extract material.

22. (New) A soft capsule as defined in claim 18, wherein said material of limited oil-solubility comprises a powder material or a soft extract material.

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